

sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election is a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation. In this case it is a clear violation of the "fairness doctrine". To comply, it would only be necessary to air "Fahrenheit 911 on the following night in prime time with no commercials.

sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest.

sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.